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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hiroaki TAKAIWA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2851

Application No.: 10/587,268

Examiner: M. LIU

Filed: July 26, 2006

Docket No.: 128865

For: IMMERSION EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND  
DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD  
WITH LIQUID DETECTION APPARATUS

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**LARGE ENTITY REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicants hereby request continued examination.

Applicants further request entry and consideration of the attached submission.

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 220604 in the amount of  \$810.00 as payment of the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461.

Respectfully submitted,

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